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October 14, 1994

TO:

Minerals File

FROM:

Tony Gallegos, Reclamation Engineer add

RE:

Site Inspection, Pagano Clay Site, M/015/062, Emery County, Utah

Date of Inspection:

October 7, 1994

Time of Inspection:

1700 - 1745

Conditions:

Partly cloudy, cool

Participants:

Tony Gallegos, DOGM

Purpose of Inspection: To evaluate reclamation success at the site.

No one was at the site during this inspection. The reclaimed areas contains weedy vegetation, halogeton, russian thistle, some ricegrass, rabbitbrush and saltbrush. However, the majority of the vegetation is a weedy species.

Several photo panoramas were taken. The site had recently received rain. The section of the site leading down to the Price River was poorly reclaimed. It is still passable to vehicles and there was an old truck tire laying in the road. The reclaimed river bank appears stable, with some vegetation coming in and riprap minimizing any erosion. Portions of the site had very poor revegetation success. Some of these soils looked alkaline.

Nearby and to the south of this site is a new sand and gravel operation, which is currently active. The sand and gravel operation appears to have overlapped what was part of the Pagano Clay Project at one time.

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cc:

Harold Marston, Pagano Clay

Steve Noble, ECDC John Blake, SITLA





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